

# Coll

## Map 15: Sloc a Bhuailt to Traigh Bhoud

This map section begins at a high knoll, A Chroic, and progresses through a series of small sandy bays, each of which is framed by higher and more rocky ground. The section finishes at the W side of Traigh Boud. There are expanses of fertile undulating land along the hinterland of this area, with the modern road (B8071) marking the boundary between the coastal fringe and the wilderness of outcrop and bog land which forms the greater part of the landscape of the N end of Coll. Modern settlement in this area is focused on the road rather than the coast.

Most of the coast edge in this section is formed from rock platform and is stable. There are two areas where the coast edge is formed from soft sediments. Between the higher ground of A'Chroic and Dun Morbaidh, the sandy coast edge is largely stable, being protected from the open sea by a rocky headland to the west and several small islands to its centre and eastern sides. There is a small area of erosion to the eastern side of Dun Morbaidh where the coast edge is formed from low lying rock platform covered with 0.5m of softer sediment over drift deposits. Here, coastal erosion has created a vertical edge. At Cornaigmore, the coast edge is low lying and has a sandy edge. This area appears largely stable but there are limited areas in which some erosion was noted. In particular, an area to the east side of the beach, a watercourse which meanders down to the sea has caused localised erosion as it continually shifts its course.

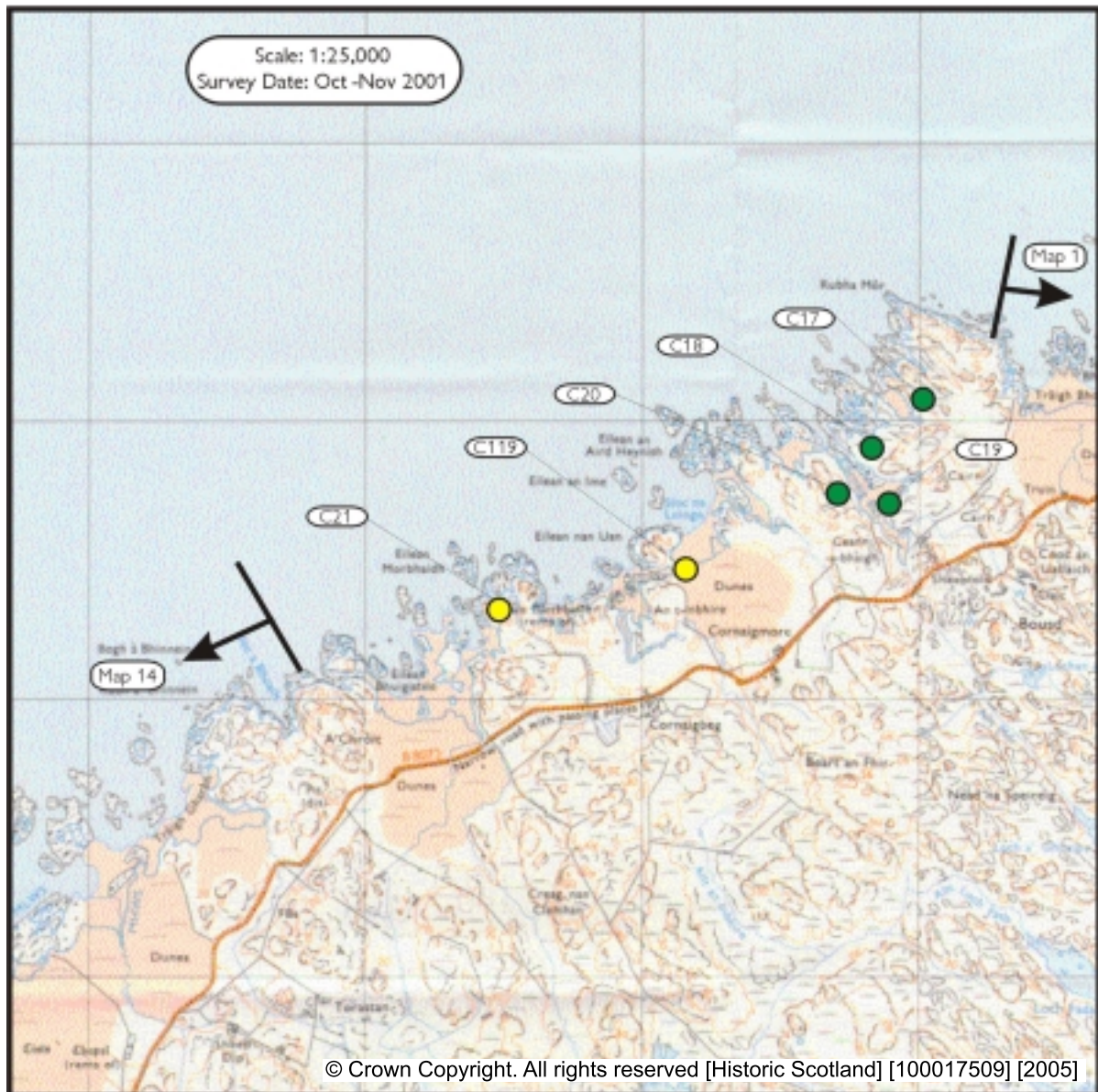
Traces of recent agricultural activity are frequent in this area. Remnant field boundaries and enclosures are to be found within the coastal zone (C17-20) and become more frequent in the hinterland. At Dun Mhorbaidh, the alleged site of a fort (C21), chance finds of pottery and midden deposits have been made in the past. One pot sherd was incised with the figure of a deer. There is now no evidence of any structural remains at this site other than a few earthfast stones, noted on the seaward flanks of the knoll, which may be the very ruinous remains of a wall. At Cornaigmore (C119) chance finds of pot sherds, slag, flint and food debris have been noted on several occasions in the past. This suggest that there is prehistoric and possibly later settlement or human activity in the area. While no trace of any remains were noted during this visit, it is recommended that the area be regularly monitored for new archaeological exposures.

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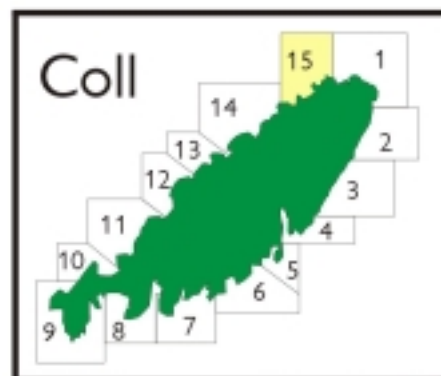
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C17	C20
NM 25078 64170	NM 24738 63710
Bousd	Cornaig Bay (W side)
Field boundary	Enclosures
18-20th C	18-20th C
Fair	Fair
Nil	Nil
C18	C21 (NM26SW12)
NM 24880 63861	NM 2345 6331
Cornaig Bay	Dun Morbaidh
Rectangular enclosure, ruinous	Site of alleged Dun
18-20th C	Unknown
Fair	Poor
Nil	Monitor
C19	C119 (NM26SW16)
NM 24901 63656	NM 242 634
Cornaigh Bay (E side)	Cornaigmore
Enclosure, ruinous	Chance finds from possible nearby settlement
18-20th C	1st mill BC- 1st mill AD
Poor	Fair
Nil	Monitor



- Built Heritage & Archaeology
- Protected Ancient Monument or area of Designated Wreck
  - Monument formally proposed by Historic Scotland for scheduling or wreck for designation
  - + Listed Historic Building
  - Undesignated wreck
  - Known ancient monument
  - Site found by this survey
  - Site complex



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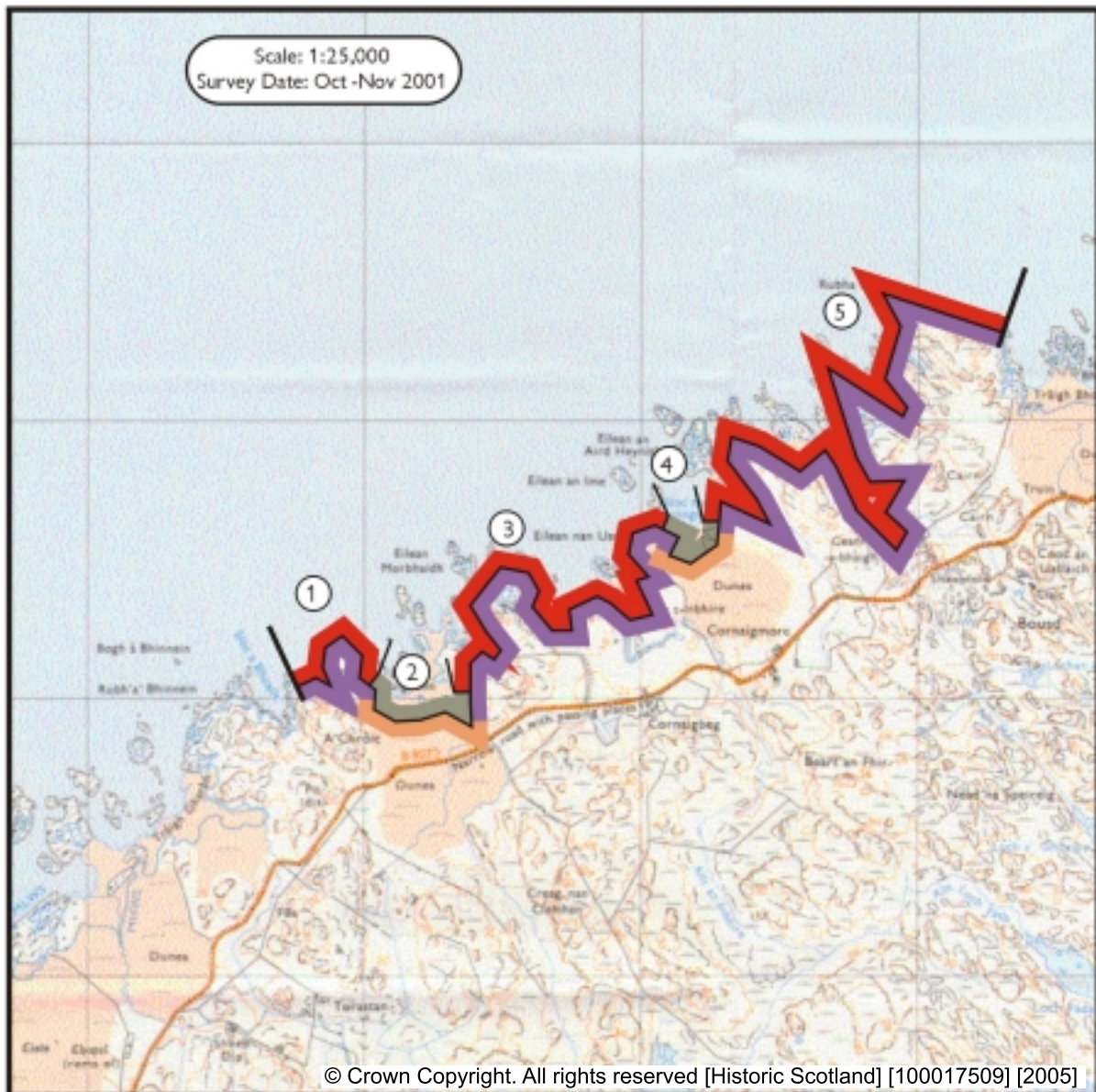
1. A Chroic  
NM 228 631  
0.7 Km  
Rock platform  
Coast edge < 5m  
Drift/rock interface occasionally visible  
A rocky coast edge sloping steeply towards the sea. The hinterland is poorly drained rough grazing.

2. Eilean Bhuigistile  
NM 232 629  
0.7 Km  
Sandy foreshore  
Coast edge < 5m  
Drift/rock interface not visible  
Short stretch of sandy coast sloping gently towards the sea. The hinterland comprises dunes.

3. Cornaigmore  
NM 235 634  
2.8 Km  
Rock platform and sand  
Coast edge < 5m  
Drift/rock interface occasionally visible  
A mix of rocky coast edge and sandy coast edge. The central part of this unit is rocky, however to either side more sand is present, often with rock protruding through. The hinterland is rough grazing.

4. Sloc na Luinge  
NM 242 634  
0.5 Km  
Sandy foreshore  
Coast edge < 5m  
Drift/rock interface not visible  
Sandy shore sloping gently towards sea. The hinterland comprises dunes. There has been some modern dumping of rubbish on the coast edge at the north end of the bay.

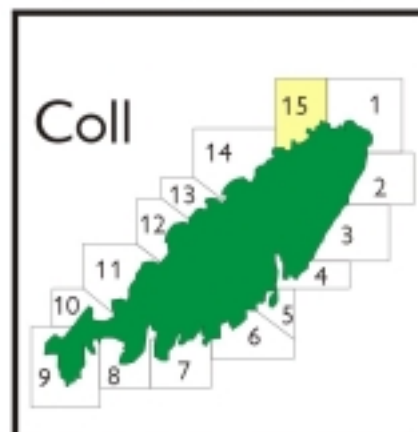
5. Rubha Mor  
NM 246 638  
4.2 Km  
Rock platform  
Coast edge < 5m  
Drift/rock interface occasionally visible  
A rocky coast edge sloping steeply towards the sea. There is a small area of salt marsh, c. < 100m long on the east side of Cornaig Bay. The hinterland is poorly drained rough grazing.



- Foreshore**
- Rock platform
  - Mainly sand
  - Mainly alluvial/marine mud
  - Marsh

- Modifiers**
- Low edge <5m
  - Cliff >5m
  - Man made barrier
  - Shingle/storm bank
  - Human disturbance

- Hinterland**
- Drift
  - Drift on visible rock
  - Raised beach etc.
  - Blown sand
  - Glacial sand/gravel
  - Alluvium



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**1. Eilean Morbhaidh**

NM 234 632

3.0 Km

Stable

The coast edge in this unit is a mix of sand and rock, all of which appears to be stable. There is minor erosion of the coast edge in the area to the east of Dun Morbhaidh (site C21), where dune slip has occurred at the head of a small sandy cove and adjacent to Dun Morbhaidh where a vertical section has been exposed in a sandy soil.

**2. Sloc na Luinge**

NM 242 635

1.7 Km

Eroding to stable

The coast edge here is formed by dunes, which appear to be more or less stable, however there are several large blowouts in the immediate hinterland.

**3. Cornaig Bay**

NM 246 638

4.2 Km

Stable

The coast edge within this unit is mostly rocky and appears stable. There is one area of erosion included. The last c.100m of the unit, within a small inlet has a more sandy coast edge and erosion can be seen here.



- Erosion Class
- Definitely Accreting
  - Accreting or Stable
  - Stable
  - Eroding or Stable
  - Definitely Eroding
  - Accreting and Eroding
  - No access
  - Land below 10m

